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HOUSE BILL 1034

Short Title: Child Care 2018 Market Study Rates. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Clemmons, Willis, and Lambeth (Primary Sponsors).
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Referred to: Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

May 25, 2022

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO
USE A PORTION OF THE FUNDS APPROPRIATED UNDER THE CHILD CARE AND
DEVELOPMENT FUND BLOCK GRANT FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
ACT (ARPA) TO TEMPORARILY INCREASE RATES FOR CHILD CARE SUBSIDY
FOR ALL AGE GROUPS OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THREE-, FOUR-, AND
FIVE-STAR RATED CHILD CARE CENTERS AND HOMES TO THOSE
RECOMMENDED IN THE 2018 CHILD CARE MARKET RATE STUDY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 9L.2(b)(1)a. of S.L. 2021-180 reads as rewritten:

"a. A minimum of two hundred six million dollars (\$206,000,000) but no
more than two hundred fifteen million dollars (\$215,000,000) to (i)
reduce the waitlist for children eligible for subsidized child care who
are in foster care and (ii) after addressing the waitlist under item (i) of
this sub-subdivision, work toward reducing the waitlist for children
eligible for subsidized child care. Additionally, the Division shall use
a portion of these funds to temporarily increase the child care subsidy
reimbursement rates to those recommended in the 2018 Child Care
Market Rate Study."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2022.

